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NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET:

97-00309

IN RE:

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S ENTRY INTO LONG DISTANCE (INTERLATA) SERVICE IN

TENNESSEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 271 OF THE

TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

DATE:

March 6, 2002

On March 10, 1997, MCI Telecommunications Corporation filed a request to participate in the above-referenced docket. All filings made between March 10, 1997, and March 13, 1998, reflected the participating entity as MCI Telecommunications Corporation. Thereafter, however, future filings listed various entities of "MCI" as the participating party.

On March 17, 1998, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority received a filing from MCI Communications Corporation, and on April 3, 1998, MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, Inc. filed a pleading with the Authority. Between April 24, 1998, and December 10, 1998, the filings in this docket again reflected MCI Communications Corporation as the filing party. A filing received on December 11, 1998, however, listed MCI WorldCom as the party. Six days later, on December 17, 1998, MCI Communications Corporation and WorldCom Technologies, Inc. filed a pleading. A March 15, 1999, filing reflected that MCI WorldCom was the participating party. The next filing, received on August 21, 2001, listed MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, Inc. as the participating party. Finally, a September 5, 2001, filing reflected that MCI WorldCom Network Services, Inc. was the party, but a September 6, 2001, filing listed MCI WorldCom, Inc. as the party.

It is unclear from the above filings which "MCI" entity is a party to this docket. On September 20, 2001, Mr. David Waddell, Executive Secretary of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority, issued an inquiry requesting a response indicating whether any entity other than MCI Telecommunications Corporation has sought to participate in this proceeding and explaining the

relationship of the various "MCI" entities that have filed pleadings in this docket to MCI Telecommunications Corporation. In addition, the letter requested that the response indicate which "MCI" entity will appear on future filings and provide the name of the attorney to whom other parties should provide certificate of service copies.

As of today's date, there has been no response to the September 20, 2001, inquiry. Therefore, the Hearing Officer directs MCI Telecommunications Corporation, or any successor thereof, to respond to the request of Mr. Waddell within ten (10) days of the date of this notice. Failure to provide the requested information could result in all filings of "MCI" entities other than MCI Telecommunications Corporation being stricken from the administrative record.

cc: Docket File